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Dear Ms. Zanto:

In response to your September 29 letter, the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration find that the Great Falls Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) meets the applicable conformity requirements found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 40, Part 93, and is consistent with the metropolitan transportation plan (23 CFR 450.328). This conformity determination is a result of coordination with the Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 office¹ and based upon a finding that the TIP is fiscally constrained. Projects or phases identified in the TIP for funding are subject to limitations on available funding at the time of project (phase) authorization.

With this conformity finding, the Great Falls FY 2011-2015 TIP can be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Sincerely,

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¹ Email from EPA (Tim Russ, Environmental Scientists, USEPA Region 8, Denver, CO) to FHWA (Lloyd H. Rue, Program Development Engineer), October 20, 2011.